

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ) CASE NO. CR08-177-RSL  
Plaintiff, )  
v. )  
ROBERT SHANNON, ) DETENTION ORDER  
Defendant. )

Offense charged: Conspiracy to Distribute Cocaine and Marijuana

Date of Detention Hearing: June 11, 2008

The Court, having conducted a detention hearing pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3142(f), and based upon the factual findings and statement of reasons for detention hereafter set forth, finds that no condition or combination of conditions which defendant can meet will reasonably assure the appearance of defendant as required and the safety of other persons and the community.

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DETENTION

1. Defendant has been charged with a drug offense the maximum penalty of which is in excess of ten years. There is therefore a rebuttable presumption against defendant as to both

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01 dangerousness and flight risk, under 18 U.S.C. §3142(e).

02       2.     Defendant is a Canadian citizen. He is not currently employed. The AUSA alleges  
03 that the defendant is one of the main organizers of a sophisticated international drug trafficking  
04 organization and that approximately 7300 gross pounds of marijuana with a street value of \$18  
05 million and approximately 1300 gross pounds of cocaine with a street value of \$12 million have  
06 been seized from drug trafficking operations conducted by the organization. The Indictment  
07 charges that defendant oversaw the North American narcotics transportation network. The  
08 indictment charges, and the AUSA proffers, that defendant and a coconspirator planned to bribe  
09 a border agent to facilitate the importation of a shipment of marijuana into the United States, and  
10 met with an undercover agent on multiple occasions to plan the distribution of approximately 352  
11 pounds of marijuana into the United States, assuming the undercover agent to be a corrupt law  
12 enforcement officer.

13       3.     Although defendant has strong ties to the British Columbia community in which  
14 he lives, he has no ties to this District. A detainer has been placed by the Bureau of Immigration  
15 and Customs Enforcement.

16       4.     Taken as a whole, the record does not effectively rebut the presumption that no  
17 condition or combination of conditions will reasonably assure the appearance of the defendant as  
18 required and the safety of the community.

19 It is therefore ORDERED:

20       (1)    Defendant shall be detained pending trial and committed to the custody of the  
21              Attorney General for confinement in a correction facility separate, to the extent  
22              practicable, from persons awaiting or serving sentences or being held in custody

01 pending appeal;

02 (2) Defendant shall be afforded reasonable opportunity for private consultation with  
03 counsel;

04 (3) On order of a court of the United States or on request of an attorney for the  
05 Government, the person in charge of the corrections facility in which defendant is  
06 confined shall deliver the defendant to a United States Marshal for the purpose of  
07 an appearance in connection with a court proceeding; and

08 (4) The clerk shall direct copies of this Order to counsel for the United States, to  
09 counsel for the defendant, to the United States Marshal, and to the United States  
10 Pretrial Services Officer.

11 DATED this 11th day of June, 2008.

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14 Mary Alice Theiler  
United States Magistrate Judge